

MAIN RESERVOIR (Scituate)

General Information:

This 63-acre warm water impoundment has a maximum depth of only eight feet. The water is infertile, but quite dark with a transparency of only three feet. The shoreline is relatively undeveloped. Emergent aquatic vegetation covers about a tenth of the pond's surface in summer.

The pond is located just off Route 3 A across from Tack Factory Pond. Access is informal and limited to car top boats and canoes that can be launched from roadside parking.

Fish Populations:

The fish population was last sampled in June of 1981. Eight species were tallied at that time: pumpkinseed, yellow perch, black crappie, largemouth bass, chain pickerel brown bullhead, smallmouth bass and American eel.

Fishing:

The fish population was dominated by stunted pumpkinseeds less than eight inches long at the time of the last survey. A few good largemouth bass and pickerel were sampled, but they were not numerous. Anglers in pursuit of panfish will find plenty of action, but few good fish. The high acidity of neighboring Tack Factory Pond indicates that Main Reservoir may have high acidity as well. This may be a factor in the panfish stunting and the low density of bass.

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